

ICE WRECKED FREIGHT VESSEL

CORWEGIAN SHIP DISABLED TRY-

ING TO HELP.

Romadel, Held Three Days in Ice, is

Now in Dry Dock for

Repairs.

New York, April 26 .- Officers of the

Norwegian steamship Romsdel, which

is now in dry dock here after a trip

made perilous by field ice, believe that

they witnessed the sinking of a

treight ship of about 8,000 tons, in

latitude 45.5 longitude 57:10, 400

miles north of the Titanic's grave.

The identity of the sunken ship is

The Romsdel's attention was at-

tracted to the distressed ship soon

gan sending up rockets showing that

help was wanted. Captain Heil or-

dered that the Romsdel be headed for

the scene and his ship was run into

the ice field with as much speed as

possible. She had not gone far, how-

ever, before she had zix or seven

holes in her hull, which allowed much

water to enter the hold. All hands

were ordered to the pumps and the

.. men of the crew were able to keep

Meanwhile the rockets continued

the water from gaining until tempo-

she, too, was fast in the ice. About

vessel stopped and soon afterwards

her lights were seen to disappear be-

For three days the Romsdel was a

prisoner in the ice. She finally worked

Temporary repairs were made, but

at the pumps constantly. On her ar-

rival here she was dry docked and is

MUTINEER CONVICT'S MOTHER

REACHES LINCOLN.

Traveled Alone From Missouri Farm

to be With Her Boy During His

Trial for Murder.

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 .- Mrs. Alice

Ramsey of Knoxville. Mo., is here to

face the charge of having killed

ley is the sole survivor of the three

convicts who dynamited and shot

woman, who says she came from a

home when he was 20 years old be-

cause there was no work in the neigh-

borhood for him to do. He had tried

work in the mines, but it was too

hard. He was easily influenced, she

Two years ago he was home and he

"I left my home against the advice

over the protests of the doctor," she

Mrs. Ramsey is 60 years old, frail

Kansas City was so weary that she

trying to gain strength and courage

Engineers'to Arbitrate.

New York, May 1.—The threatened

strike of engineers of the 50 rail-

roads east of Chicago was averted by

continued.

took treatment for the drug habit.

midnight the rockets from the other

rary repairs were made.

sunken vessel.

not known.

## **VERY CLOSE IN** MASSACHUSETTS

Struggle Between Taft and Roosevelt About Evenly Livided.

DEMOCRATIC CONTEST IS TAME

Closeness of Republican Fight Overshadows Everything Else-Clark Has Good Lead Over Wilson.

Boston, May 1.-Returns in the after nightfall when the vessel bepresidential primaries from 711 out of 1,080 election precincts give:

Republican preferences-La lette, 1,130; Roosevelt, 43,836; Tatt, 45,239.

Delegates-at-large-Baxter (heading Taft group), 40,030.

Democratic preferences-Clark, 19, 706: Wilson, 8,597. Delegates-at-large-Coughlin (pledg-

ed to Foss), 18,419. Williams (for primary preference),

The struggle for the control of the Massachusetts delegation to the Re- to ascend from the ship in distress. publican convention in Chicago be but the Romsdel was helpless, for tween President Taft and Col. Rocsevelt was so close that at midnigh with half the state tabulated, the two aspirants for nomination were running neck and neck for presidential prefer- neath the waves. When daylight ence, while incomplete returns show- broke, those on board the Romsdel ed that they had also an equal divi- were unable to find any trace of the sion of the c

Contest is Close. On the preferential vote, returns from half the state gave President her way out with six holes in Her hull Taft a small; lead. On the other and her propeller blades broken. hand, Baxter, who headed the Roosevelt group of candidates, had 30,834 it was necessary to keep the crew to 26,349 for Senator Crane, who led

the Taft ticket. Returns from the districts showed now undergoing extensive repairs. Taft to be ahead in the first, second, third, eighth, tenth, eleventh and thirteenth, while the Roosevelt delegates led in the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, ninth, twelfth and fourteenth districts.

Dims Democratic Fight,

The closeness of the fight in the Republican ranks overshadowed the contest in the Democratic. Returns from half the state gave Speaker Clark 19,706, Gov. Wilson 8,597.

Of the delegates at large, Coughlin, who was pledged to Gov. Foss, polled 18,419, while George Fred Williams s.t beside her son, Charles Marley, received 6,426 votes in the same pre- who, within the next few days must cincts.

The La Follette vote had falled to Warden Delahunty March 14. Marreach four figures at midnight.

The Taft leaders seemed sure of carrying the first district, and actual- their way out of the Nebraska penily won the eleventh, consisting of a tentiary, leaving the warden, his depnumber of the wards in the Back bay uty and the usher dead behind them. section.

President Taft carried Boston by about 600 votes but the eastern towns, including many in the Cape Cod and Plymouth districts, lined up strong for Roosevelt, while the central portion was even split.

The total vote for the two cardidates was about 50 per cent of that polled by the Republican candidate for governor last November.

ANYWAY, PRICES ARE SOARING

Responsibility for Cost of Meat Dodged by all, From Farmers to Packers.

Chicago, May 1.-Prices of fresh meat on the hoof and in retail markets have reached the highest average known here in two years. Packera say they are paying the highest prices for cattle in more than 20 years, considering the quality offered.

Responsibility for the high meat prices seems to be in doffst. The butcher says the wholesale price is higher. The wholesalers say they are compelled to pay more to the packers. The packers declare the farmers are demanding more money, and the farmers say that corn is too expensive to feed.

## HOUSE HELPS

Highway Subsidy Amendment Passes With Little Opposition.

WILL MEAN VAST IMPROVEMENT

Senate Expected to Accept Measure as Part of Postoffice Bill-No Kansans and But Two Misaourians Oppose Bill.

Washington, May 1.-The house aided the national good roads movement by passing a provision in the postoffice appropriation bill which would grant a subsidy to all highways used in the rural free delivery mail service. These roads would be divided into three classes with substries of \$25, 20 and \$15 a mile.

The amendment, offered by Repre sentative Shackleford of Missouri, was a compromise of 29 good roads bills introduced during the present session of congress.

Enemies of the measure estimated the cost the first year would be \$16. 000,000 to \$18,000,000. Shackleford believes the tolls will not amount to more than \$6,000,000 or \$7,000,000 u year, at least for a time.

The measure provides that the fed eral government shall ald the good roads movement by paying a graduated toll for the use of state and county roads over which the rural malls are carried .

Kansans Favor Measure. The members of the house from the Middle West with few exceptions supported the "good roads" proposi-None of the Kansans voted against it and the names of only two Missourians, Bartholdt and Catlin, both of St. Louis were registered in opposition.

The senate will probably accept the provision as a part of the postoffice bill although it was said that there might be minor changes made in it.

One of the speethes in favor of the provision was made by Representative Rubey of Missouri, who declared that there was nothing that the national government could do that would stimulate the movement for better roads more than the aid which this provision offers. He said that even in 1914 a country wide improvement in roads would be noticeable if favorable action was taken by congress. Rubey Answers Criticism.

He answered the criticism of Representative Fitzgerald of New York, who said that the measure was put before congress without due consideration, by saying that he bill in the history of congress had ever been given closer study than this one. Forty members, he said, had given close study to the proposition for many months and the bill which was attached to the postoffice appropriation bill, as an amendment, was the composite result of this consideration.

METHODIST CONFERENCE IS ON

Bishops and Delegates From Many Countries Gather at Minneapolis for 30-Day Session.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 1 .- Starting last night with a reception by the city to the delegates, the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church got down to business today. It was a remarkable gathering which attended the first business ses sion in the Auditorium, for in addition to the delegates from this country, there were bishops and others from many parts of the earth. Fraternal delegates from numerous other churches also are here and will be received at various times.

For nearly four weeks the conference will be in session, and every day there will be noon meetings down town and evangelistic meetings in the afternoon at the Auditorium, in addition to the business meetings and the more formal events scheduled for the evenings. Among the latter are lectures by Dr. Cadman of Brooklyn, Bishon Quayle, Dr. Matt S. Hughes and William J. Bryan.

Last night the delegates were wel-Mrs. Ramsey is a little gray-haired comed by Governor Eberhart, Rev. Andrew Gillies and Bishop Robert Mcsick bed to redeem her promise to Intyre. Bishop H. W. Warren and be with her boy when his trial came. Hanford Crawford, chairman of the She lives on a farm near Knoxville. General Conference Commission, of Mrs. Ramsey said that her son left St. Louis, responded.

Bishop Warren, in his address, gave tentative outline of the program for the meeting. Beside the election of several new bishops and the heads of said, and had got into bad company. missionary and benevolent boards, the conference will deal with several important ecclesiastical problems.

Horse and Driver Into River.

of every member of my family and Wichita, Kan., May 1.-While driving along the bank of the Little Arkansas river in Riverside park the and said she had to ride for a dozen horse of George O. Morgan became miles in a farm wagon to reach a frightened and plunged over the railroad station and when she got to bank. Morgan was carried into the water and was drowned. The horse had to rest for a day. She is now was rescued. Mr. Morgan had lived here 28 years and was a wealthy to go out to the prison and meet her horse and mule dealer.

Food Caused Death.

New York, May 1.-Just as he was placing a sandwich to his mouth after he had been without food for ten the signing of an arbitration agreed days, according to his story, an old ment between the two committees man who said he was James Allen, representing the railroads and the collapsed in a police station and died technical delegate of the United | before the arrival of a physician.

IN MEMORY OF FRONTIER LIFE TOBACCO RU MONUMENT FOR PAWNEE ROCK IS SHIPPED.

Shaft Erected by Women of Kangas Will be in Position and Dedicated-May 30.

Topeka, April 25.—The granite monument to stand on the top of Pawnee Rock has been shipped from the quarries at Barre, Vt., and wil arrive in Topeka next week and will be placed in position and unveiled about May 20. The club women of the state who raised the money to buy the monument and made the or rangements for obtaining the historic spot will have charge of the exarcises when the monument is unvelled.

The shaft is made of Vermont granite and was designed by Silvestro Caro, a Topeka sculptor. It stands a little more than 30 feet high.

The inscription on the southern face of the monument reads: "Erected by the Women's Kansas Day club, Women's Relief corps,

State Federation of Women's clubs. Woman's Christian Temperance. union." The east side bears the inscription:

"In honor of the brave men and vomen who, passing over the old Santa Fe trail, endured the hardships of frontier life, and blazed the path of civilization for posterity."

On the west face are the words; "Pawnee Rock; given to the State of Kansas by Benjamin Unruh, in the year 1908."

The entire expense has been \$4,700, and the citizens of Pawnee have raised \$1,500 of this amount. In order to raise a deficit of several hundred dollars the state board of managers has planned to sell postcards of the rock and the monument

Pawnee Rock covers about four acres and rises abruptly from the surrounding valley. It is about 50 or 60 feet in height, and from its summit a view can be obtained for many miles in all directions. The state will maintain the grounds as a state

STRIKE AMONG BLIND WORKERS

Inmates of English Asylum Demand Minimum Wage Scale-Some Only Earn \$1.75 a Week.

London, May 1 .- The blind workers in the Bristol asylum for the blind have struck for a minimum wage and the case has been taken up by the National League for the Blind. A number of blind men and women are employed in the workshops of the saylum under piece work conditions. The manifesto asserts that the blind workers in Bristol are the worst paid prayer meeting screamed and fought of their class in Great Britain. The women earn only \$1.75 to \$2 a week and the men \$2.50 to \$2.75 for the same period. They say they cannot live decently on this amount.

Saloonists Are Sad. Chicago, May 1.-Chicagoans are climbing on the "water wagon" in ing their Bibles and uttering threats such large numbers that saloon keep- against the smokers. new their licenses.

PLAN THIRD HAGUE CONFERENCE

American Society of International Law Devotes Entire Session to Consideration of Program. .

Washington, April 26.—The sixth annual meeting of the American Society of International Law opened last evening in the Hall of the Americas of the Pan-American Union. The society was organized at Lake Mohonk, New York, Jan. 13, 1906, and its on ject is "to foster the study of international law and promote the establishment of international relations on the basis of law and justice." This year the society decided to devote its entire session to the consideration of the program, organization and procedure for the third Hague conference.

The Hague conterence of 1907 recommended to the powers the holding of a third peace conference which might take place within a period similar to that which elapsed between the first and second conference-eight years-and attention was drawn to the necessity of preparing the labors of the third conference sufficiently in advance to have its deliberations "follow their course with the requisite authority and speed." The American Society of International Law is the first organization to take up this work.

The session was opened by an address by Senator Root, president of the society. Hon. Pasquale Flore senator of Italy and professor of international law in the University of of America. Naples, delivered an address on "Some Considerations on the Past, Present and Future of International Law," and Oscar S. Strauss, formerly secretary of commerce and labor and American ambassador to Turkey, spoke on "The American Diplomacy of Humanity."

Today the sessions will be resumed by the reading of general papers on the program of the third Hague conference by Alejandro Alvarez, juris consult of the ministry of foreign affairs of Chile; Joaquin D. Casasus. formerly Mexican ambassador to the United States; Luis Anderson, formerly minister of foreign affairs of Costa Rica, and James Brown Scott, CAUSES RIOTING

Workmen Clash With Followers of Voliva at Zion City.

TWO HUNDRED FANATICS HURT

Attempt of Religious Zealots to Prevent Use of Weed Results in Trouble-Faithful Ordered to be at Plant in Morning.

Chicago, April 30 .- A week of trouble between the employes of the Cook Electric company who persist in smoking, and the followers of Wilbur Glenn Voliva in Zion City culminated late in the afternoon in a riot in which 200 religious zealots were wounded and many arrested. Fearing that Marshal John Hoover and his 70 deputies would be unable to prevent further rioting, Acting Miller appealed to Sheriff Elmer Green of Waukegan for assistance. Green, accompanied by deputies, took charge.

Meanwhile Voliva, successor Alexander Dowle, ordered the large alarm bell rung for an hour and 1,000 of his followers gathered in the auditorium to discuss plans for ridding Zion forever of the "tobacco smoking curs." At a late hour they were still in session. The laborers paraded in gangs and Marshal Hoover sat in the police station oiling repeating rifles: Fifty Women Trampled.

Scores of the religious zealots were rendered unconscious and one was injured so severely he may die. More than a third of the 150 women at the meeting were beaten, bruised or trampled.

The trouble started at 5 o'clock when the workmen, exasperated by the singing and praying of the Dowieites outside the plant, rushed out with their tools and charged the meeting across the street. The wires of the fence erected by Voliva were snapped and the platform on which the elders stood was overturned and wrecked. The zerlots stood their ground and Marshal Hoover and his denuties ran into the crowd, clubbing right and left.

Jerked From Platform. Elder F. M. Royal was just leading his followers in singing "Conquering Now and Still to Conquer." The workers charged the platform and struck him a blow over the head, rendering him unconscious. The women at the back. Elder Robinson was jerked from the platform and trampled under foot. John Bryson, 70 years old, a Colivalte, was knocked down and rendered insensible. Joseph Bishop. another zealot, suffered a fractured

skull. The "crusaders" retreated clutch-

begun to notice their daily Voliva, who succeeded Dowie, orreceipts dropping off. More than 500 dered the use of tobacco stopped in saloon keepers, it is said will not re- Zion last week. Volfva has issued an order to his followers to be at the Cook plant at 6 o'clock in the morning. Warrants were issued for 15 of Voliva's elders.

IORNADO CAVES ARE POPULAR

Storms of Past Two Weeks Revive Old Custom, Almost Entirely Discontinued, in Kansas.

Topeka, May 1 .- A revival of the building of storm caves or cellars has come in Kansas. There have been four tornadoes in Kansas in the last two weeks and traveling men who were in Topeka said more holes were being dug in back yards through Kansas at the present time Than in any of the last five or six years. There have been tornadoes this year at Bison, in Rush county, near Independence; at Preston, in Brown county, and at Gueda Springs.

WIRELESS A CABLE COMPETITOR

Arrangements Completed for Messages Between Europe and America.

London, May 1.- In the house of commons Postmaster General Samuel announced that he had arranged with the Marconi Wireless company to on pension day at the Soldiers' home, transmit messages between England the bootleggers and disreputable charand America. The full rate to New York and Montreal, Mr. Samuel said, would be 16 cents a word, as against the cable rate of the other companies of 25 cents a word. Similar reductions would be made to other parts

Fire at Yates Center. Yates Center, Kan., May 1 .- A fire which stareed here at 4 s. m. destroyed six business buildings and contents, causing a loss of about \$25,-000, with insurance of about \$15,000. About one-third of the west side of the business square was entirely destroyed.

To Buy Electricity. West Plains, Mo., May L.-By an overwhelming vote the citizens of West Plains ratified a contract with the Mammoth Springs Power company to furnish the city with electrical power for 29 years. The power is generated at Mammoth Springs, Ark., and transmitted to this city, a distance of 20 miles.

## SWEPT OKLAHOMA

Storm Starting in Texas, Leaves Path of Death and Destruction.

FIFTY-FOUR DEAD IN TWO STATES

Many Towns In Ruins, Trains Blows From Tracks and Wires Down Everywhere—Property Damage Will be Enormous.

Oklahoma City, Ok., April 29.-The death list of the tornado that swept a part of Oklahoma and Texas is expected to reach 60. Fifty-four deaths have been reported. The injured list will run into the hundreds. Wire facilities are demoralized and it is impossible to communicate with several of the stricken towns.

As detailed reports come in news from many places now inaccessible on account of high water and destruction. of telephone lines probably will add to the losses already tabulated. It is now known that 20 towns were struck by the storm. Two of them, Butler and Foss, were destroyed.

The greatest loss of life reported is at Lugort, where 15 persons were killed. A special train sent from Altus with physicians and nurses when it was reported a passenger train had been blown from the rails, picked up ten injured persons and started back for Altus.

Two of these, Mrs. Lee Stanaland and Miss Eva Stanaland, died on the train.

Seven Killed in Texas. The tornado started just across the Texas border and first killed seven persons at Kirkland, Tex., demolishing 30 buildings and blew a Rock Island work train off the track.

Tearing on northward, the storm struck Eldorado, killing four; Calumet, killing three, and Lugert; Rocky. where half the town is in ruins; Yukon, Warren, Martha, Blair and Lone Wolf. At each of these places many persons were injured. Several of these towns are cut off from communication. What is believed to be the tail of the storm destroyed several buildings at Mulhall, 50 miles north of Oklahoma City.

The storm entered the southwestern portion of the state and traveled in a northeasterly direction, almost across the state, rising and dipping again at intervals until it finally spent its force in Kay county.

Three Dead at Calmet. At El Reno, two persons, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Thompson, were killed, and William Moore, and an infant named Griffith, injured by the storm. At Calumet, ten miles west of there. Sev-

buildings were blown down. El Reno also reports that word was received there, before storms interrupted wire service, that the little

town of Aledo, in Dewey county, was blown away. in Texas the storm played greatest

havoc near Kirkland, where sever persons were killed. Thirty farm buildings were wrecked and a Rock Island work train of nine cars was blown from the track. The wind was accompanied by a "cloudburst," Kirkland reporting a fall of four inches within 35 minutes.

SAYS LEAVENWORTH IS CLEAN

Mayor Files Answer to Contempt Proceedings in Topeka-Blames Other Towns for Trouble.

Topeka, April 20.-Mayor Albert Doege and B. F. Endres, city attorney of Leavenworth, were in Topeka and filed the answers in the contempt proceedings brought against the mayor, 17 police officers and several disorderly characters for violating the order of the supreme court in paying into the city forfeited bonds in lieu of license fees. In the answer it is shown that Mayor Doege had discharged the chief of police and seven natrolmen against whom the attorney general had evidence of incompetency. These were the police officers the attorney general found were not helping in keeping the joints closed.

The mayor, in his answer, asserted that Leavenworth was in good shape as far as law enforcement is concerned, but he shows that on the pay day of the soldiers at the fort and acters from Kansas City and St. Joseph flock to Leavenworth,

Baby Drowned in Tub.

Ottawa, Kan., April 26.-For more than an hour, while the family of John A. Dennis searched for their 15months-old girl, the child lay dead in a wash boiler of water outside the sitchen door. The family live near Oakland church, seven miles northwest of Ottawa. There are ten children and the baby girl had not been

Oppose Johnson Fight. Boston, April 26 .- The headquarters of the United States Society of Chris-

tian Endeavor here sent out an appeal to Christian Endeavor leaguers in every part of the United States to protest against the enactment of legislation in New Mexico to permit the Johnson-Flynn fight to be held in Low Vegas July 4.